

William Caton, who passed away on February 6, 2020 at the age of 74. Dr. Caton was a lifelong leader in the field of neurosurgery and led a distinguished career that had lasting impacts on my district in the San Gabriel Valley and throughout California.

Dr. Caton was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on July 7, 1945 and spent his childhood in Georgia and Massachusetts. He received his bachelor's degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and then moved to California to attend medical school at the University of Southern California (USC) School of Medicine. He received his M.D. in 1971 and completed his residency in Neurosurgery at the Los Angeles County—USC Medical Center in 1977. After completing his residency, Dr. Caton began his practice in Pasadena, a community he would serve for the next forty years.

Dr. Caton's dedication to his patients earned him the reputation as one of the top neurosurgeons in California. He was a representative for the California Association of Neurological Surgery (CANS) at National State Council meetings for twenty-five years and served as President from 2009 to 2010. He also represented CANS in meetings with LA County that resulted in developing a county-wide system of trauma care centers in 1983. He was appointed to serve as Chairman of Neurosurgery at Huntington Memorial Hospital, the leading trauma center within the San Gabriel Valley, a position he would hold for over twenty years. His work was also well known around the globe. He collaborated on a project in Bangalore, India, where he advised the development of a brain cancer treatment center, and he created an international symposium on healthcare, also located in India.

He was a strong advocate for higher education and passed his knowledge on to multiple generations of students. For almost forty years, he was a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Neurological Surgery Department at USC. He was also a long-time faculty member at California Institute of Technology (Caltech) in the Department of Biology and Bioengineering. While there, he founded the Caltech Students Medical Mentor Program, served as director of the Caltech M.D.-Ph.D. Clinical Outreach Program, and became director of the Pasadena Neuroscience Fellowship. Because of his distinguished service and contributions to higher education, Dr. Caton received an honorary graduate degree from the Caltech Alumni Association in 2008. Additionally, he was a strong advocate for the education of women and served on the Board of Trustees for Mayfield Senior High School, an all-girls college preparatory high school, from 1986 to 1997.

Dr. Caton leaves behind an enduring legacy of service, patient advocacy, and leadership to the San Gabriel Valley, Los Angeles County, and California. He is an inspiration to all who knew him, and it is my distinct honor to commemorate his life.

HOMELAND SECURITY FOR CHILDREN ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 10, 2020

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, as a senior Member of Congress, I rise in support of

H.R. 2932, the "Homeland Security for Children Act," which would direct the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to identify and integrate the needs of children into activities to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against the risk of natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters.

The "Homeland Security for Children Act" would make children's needs a priority throughout the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), by directing the DHS Undersecretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans to incorporate feedback from children's organizations into Department-wide activities.

This legislation would require DHS to submit a report to Congress on the Department's efforts to integrate the needs of children into the policies, programs, and activities at DHS.

DHS will authorize a Children's Technical Expert position, ensuring that the Agency will adequately incorporate the needs of children into its emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation activities.

Due to their general incapacity to protect and advocate for themselves, children are more likely to succumb to the negative outcomes associated with disasters and acts of terrorism.

FEMA has consistently missed the mark when it comes to acknowledging and prioritizing the unique needs of children in its disaster-related activities.

When disaster strikes, whether natural or manmade, the country has historically struggled to adequately prepare for children's unique needs.

For example, in Houston Hurricane Harvey made land fall in 2017 and proceeded to affect 13 million people, cause \$125 billion dollars in damages, and take the lives of 94 individuals.

Nearly 3 million children in Harris County alone were impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

Six months after the storm approximately 4,000 childcare programs, afterschool programs, and schools closed for weeks in the Greater Houston area.

Hurricane Harvey resulted in an increase to the number of economically disadvantaged children, cases of mental health issues and student homelessness.

The shortage of childcare throughout the impacted regions prevented many families from returning to their "normal" lives.

Traumatic experiences, such as a natural disaster, can negatively impact a child's mental health, cause an increase in irritability, aggression, anger, and physical ailments, such as headaches and stomach aches.

It is vital that FEMA makes it a priority to integrate the needs of children into their activities to prepare for, protect against and mitigate against the risk of natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters.

I ask all Members to join me in voting to pass H.R. 2932, the "Homeland Security for Children Act."

CELEBRATING THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF MONITEAU COUNTY, MISSOURI

HON. VICKY HARTZLER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Mrs. HARTZLER. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to congratulate Moniteau County, in

Missouri's Fourth Congressional District, on the 175th anniversary of its founding.

The territory that now makes up Moniteau County was originally part of the 1803 Louisiana Purchase. It was organized on February 14, 1845, carved out of territory from Cole and Morgan counties. The name of this county, taken from Moniteau Creek, is the French spelling of an Indian word meaning "spirit of God" or "Country of the Great Spirit." The county epitomizes its name as evidenced by the many vibrant churches today in the community.

Agriculture is our state's leading industry, and Moniteau County is one of our state's leading producers of agricultural goods, known particularly for its beef, ham, and turkey products.

Moniteau County is a wonderful place in which to live, work, and raise a family. As this historic anniversary is celebrated, I wish the county and its citizens well and many more years of peace and prosperity.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I was regrettably absent for votes on February 7, 2020.

Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 52, YEA on Roll Call No. 53 and NAY on Roll Call No. 54.

ACKNOWLEDGING THE STRONG STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND INDIA

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the strong strategic partnership between the United States and India. A relationship that is based on shared values of democracy. Our cooperation extends across many sectors including financial, defense and counterterrorism. The region of Kashmir has long been subjected to conflict and instability. I support Prime Minister Modi in his efforts to bring stability to the region.

RECOGNIZING MARINE FORCES SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

HON. GREGORY F. MURPHY

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the heroic Marine Forces Special Operations Command (or MARSOC) which will celebrate its 14th anniversary on February 24th. MARSOC was activated in 2006 at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina and initially consisted of a small staff and the Foreign Military Training Unit which had